

Harriet Van Zomerén, 87, Pella

Harriet (Wyant) Roorda- Van Zomerén, 87, of Pella passed away Jan. 31, 2006. Funeral services were held Feb. 3, at the De Jong Chapel of the First Reformed Church in Pella.

Interment was held at the Hollandale Cemetery in Minnesota on



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Feb. 4. Memorials may be given for the Hollandale Reformed Church

Harriet Arlene Wyant was the second of two daughters that were born to William Henry and Florence Pearl (Cornelius) Wyant. She was born on Nov. 2, 1918, in Oakland, Minnesota. Harriet received her 8th grade education at the Geneva Public School.

On Feb. 17, 1937, she was joined in marriage with Cornelius Dirk Roorda at the Baptist Church in Oakland, Minnesota. To this union two children were born: Gordon and Janet. After celebrating 36 years of married life together, Cornie passed away on March 6, 1973, at the age of 58 years. On Nov. 4, 1989,

Harriet was married to Walter David Van Zomerén. The couple made their home in Oskaloosa and later in Pella. Harriet had significant heart deficiency and necessitated more advanced medical care. As her health declined she moved to Gordon's home in Urbandale, where she was cared for her remaining days. Those left to honor her memory are her husband, Walter Van Zomerén, her two children and their spouses, seven grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren, and four great-great grandchildren. They and their families are: Gordon and Jo Ann Roorda of Urbandale; Janet and Roger Nordos of Bloomington, Minnesota. Harriet was the last remaining member of her original family. She is also survived by her husband, Walter's family: Joanne and Gerald Roquet, Jerry and Shirley Van Zomerén, Marilyn and Jim Rice. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Cornelius Dirk Roorda; parents Henry and Florence Wyant; her sister, Garnet Pearl Wyant, who passed away at the age of 13 years; and step-daughter, Nancy Verros.